

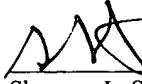


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FROM THE OFFICE ACTION**

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Applicant : Kenneth N. Bates, et al. Confirmation No. 9673
Application No. : 10/724,382
Filed : November 26, 2003
Title : IMMERSIBLE ULTRASOUND PROBE AND CABLE
Grp./Div. : 3768
Examiner : Francis J. Jaworski
Docket No. : 51411/B768

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 7068
P.O. Box 1450 Pasadena, CA 91109-7068
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 October 23, 2006

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated June 22, 2006 for 1 month(s) from September 22, 2006 to October 22, 2006.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEES
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$60

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 60 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment Transmittal Letter
Application No. 10/724,382

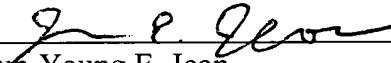
X Attached is our check for \$200 to pay the fees calculated above.
X A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.

Other enclosures:

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